

Merrick County Board Minutes



March 24, 2015

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Kucera, Carlson, Weller, Kreachbaum, Helgoth, and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:05 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and on the Merrick County website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:05 a.m.

Agenda: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Kreachbaum, second Kucera to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2015 as presented and published. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Meeting reports: Carlson, Graves, and Wiegert attended the Central District Meeting in Kearney, Thursday, March 19, 2015; Graves attended a safety meeting on March 17, personnel meeting on March 18, and a NIRMA meeting on March 20, 2015; Weller attended the Bader Park meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2015; Kreachbaum attended the emergency management meeting on March 4, and the Ag Society meeting on March 19, 2015; Helgoth attended the Central Community Service meeting on March 17 and the 4H Building meeting on March 19 and the personnel meeting on March 18, 2015; Kucera attended the personnel meeting on March 18 and a Mid Nebraska meeting in Kearney also on March 18, 2015; Wiegert attended the 4H Building meeting on the evening of March 19, 2015.

Official's reports: County Clerk Wichmann attended the Central District Meeting in Kearney on March 19, 2015. County Attorney Homolka reported that they had won both TERC hearings. Clerk Wichmann said that the Weed Superintendent wanted to know if the Board would pay for a ream of paper, ink cartridges, postage, envelopes, and a stamper for him to mail out letters for the County. The Board thought they should if it is for county work.

Electric Agreement: Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an Electrical Agreement between Ted Wyman and Merrick County between section 21 & 22, township 15, range 4 to bury an electrical line under the road for the Board's approval. Moved Helgoth, second Carlson to approve the Electrical Agreement between Ted Wyman and Merrick County between section 21 & 22, township 15, range 4 to bury an electrical line under the road. Roll Call: All Ayes. **Tax sale results**: The tax sale certification was read to the Board by County Clerk Wichmann. There were 92 parcels sold

Special Liquor License: A Special Liquor License was presented to the Board for approval for Zoul Hospitality LLC for the Nichols wedding reception at Riverside Pavilion on May 2, 2015. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve the Special Liquor License for Zoul Hospitality LLC for the Nichols wedding reception at Riverside Pavilion on May 2, 2015. Roll Call: All Ayes.

4H Building funding: Moved Helgoth, second Graves to go into executive session at 9:29 a.m. for a strategy session with respect to real estate purchase. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Helgoth, second Graves to go out of executive session at 10:01 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. No action taken.

Keystone Pipeline: Mark Johnson with TransCanada gave the Board a brief review of what has taken place with the Keystone Pipeline. Johnson said they are still committed to the project and are still working on it. **Time and attendance**: County Clerk Wichmann gave the Board all of the options for the new time and attendance program and the costs. The Sheriff's Office will be the first office to start using the time clock. The other offices will start later in the year. Moved Kucera, second Carlson to purchase one time clock for the Sheriff's Office for \$630.00 and have it installed. The cost to come out of the Miscellaneous budget. Roll Call: All Aves.

Building & Grounds position: Kucera said the personnel committee met last Wednesday and they made some changes to the job description. Kucera read the changes to the job description to the Board and they thought that the base pay could be \$12.00 an hour as a full time employee with vacation and health insurance. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve the job description changes, health insurance, and vacation and with the base pay of \$12.00 an hour as a full time employee. Roll Call: All Ayes. The Board read the applications they had received for the position. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to go into executive session at 11:26 a.m. to



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prevent the needless injury to the reputation of a person. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to go out of executive session at 11:46 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. No action taken.

Surplus: The County Clerk asked the Board for permission to surplus Lexmark Forms Printer, Canon Fax Phone L75, 3 small Sanyo recorders that do not work, one Fujitsu Scanner that is no longer compatible with the newer computers, and one IBM Wheelwriter 3 Typerwriter that was sent to Office Max for repair but cannot be repaired because they cannot get the parts for it anymore. Moved Graves, second Kucera to surplus the Lexmark Forms Printer, Canon Fax Phone L75, 3 small Sanyo recorders that do not work, one Fujitsu Scanner that is no longer compatible with the newer computers, and one IBM Wheelwriter 3 Typerwriter that was sent to Office Max for repair but cannot be repaired because they cannot get the parts for it anymore. Roll Call: All Ayes.

March 2015 payroll: The March 2015 payroll was presented for the Board's approval: General: Gross: \$104,393.98 Net: \$73,842.20 Roads: Gross: \$48,630.44 Net: \$32,939.45 Juvenile Diversion: Gross: \$2,946.67 Net: \$2,060.15. Moved Helgoth, second Kreachbaum to approve the March 2015 payroll as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Graves, Kreachbaum, Carlson, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Helgoth, Kucera, and Weller ayed the ones that they signed and nayed the ones that they didn't sign.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Kreachbaum to adjourn at 12:04 p.m. Roll call: All Ayes.

/s/ Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk